

Santa Clarita/Lancaster/Palmdale

- We are continuing our dialog with Palmdale regarding the construction of two new stations in that city.
- We have requested Measure B funding to staff a new Hazardous Materials Squad in the Antelope Valley for the Lancaster/Palmdale area.

Signal Hill

- During this period of evaluation, Signal Hill opted to return to the Fire District for emergency services.

Of course, one of our constant major challenges is to balance available revenue with the need for new resources, especially in the high-growth areas of the District.

- **A four-person paramedic engine will be placed in service in the City of Signal Hill at new Fire Station 60**

In recent years, the City of Signal Hill has received fire services from the City of Long Beach. This contract will be terminated on November 1, and Signal Hill will return to the Fire District. We are deploying a four-person paramedic engine (two paramedics) due to recent and planned growth in the City, and the geographical location of the City relative to other District resources.

- **Engine 81 in Agua Dulce will be upgraded to a paramedic assessment engine (one firefighter/paramedic) at the current staffing level**
- **A paramedic squad (two firefighter/paramedics) will be added at Fire Station 73 in Newhall**
- **A paramedic squad (two firefighter/paramedics) will be added at Fire Station 149 in Castaic**

These additional paramedic resources are being added to meet the rapid growth of the Santa Clarita area, and its corresponding high demand for emergency medical services.

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We have sufficient funding due to property tax growth, and the necessary positions to implement these service enhancements within our current budget.

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